

House Resolution 571

By: Representatives Stephens of the 161st, Bryant of the 160th, Gordon of the 162nd, Day of the 163rd, and Carter of the 159th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. Lawrence Hutchins, Jr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. Lawrence Hutchins, Jr., has dedicated an amazing 42 years to molding
3 young minds and challenging students through his work in the field of music education; and

4 WHEREAS, born in Savannah, Georgia, Mr. Hutchins was educated in the
5 Savannah-Chatham County Public School System, graduating from A.E. Beach High School
6 in 1959, and he went on to earn degrees from Savannah State College and Vandercook
7 College of Music; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Hutchins has been instrumental in the education of this nation's youth,
9 teaching and directing bands for over four decades at Gordon High School in Dillon, South
10 Carolina; Liberty County High School in McIntosh, Georgia; and Beach High School,
11 Savannah State University, the United House of Prayer Marching Band, Port Wentworth
12 Elementary School, and Garrison Elementary School in Savannah, Georgia; and

13 WHEREAS, an active member of community and music appreciation organizations, Mr.
14 Hutchins belongs to the Music Educators National Conference, the Georgia Music Educators
15 Association, the Frank Callen Boys and Girls Club Alumni and Friends Association, the
16 Savannah Basketball and Coastal Football Officials Association, and Alpha Phi Alpha
17 Fraternity; and

18 WHEREAS, a devoted man of faith, Mr. Hutchins attends Bethel AME Church, where he
19 serves with the Sons of Allen, the Senior Choir, and the Trustee Board; and

20 WHEREAS, Mr. Hutchins has long been recognized by the citizens of this state for the vital
21 role that he has played in the teaching profession and his deep personal commitment to music
22 and the education of the students of Georgia; and

23 WHEREAS, in recognition of his contributions to the students in this state, it is abundantly
24 fitting and proper for this body to honor the extraordinary commitment and accomplishments
25 of this outstanding individual.

26 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
27 the members of this body heartily and gratefully commend Mr. Lawrence Hutchins, Jr., for
28 his years of sacrifice, foresight, accomplishment, and contributions on behalf of education
29 in Georgia and for the positive influence he has had upon the lives and futures of countless
30 young people in this state.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
32 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Lawrence Hutchins, Jr.